UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, : 20cr608 (DLC)

-v- : ORDER

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AQUILINO TORRES, : :

Defendant. :

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DENISE COTE, District Judge:

An in-person conference in Courtroom 18B, 500 Pearl Street is scheduled for March 18, 2021 at 12 p.m. In light of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, it is hereby

ORDERED that all individuals seeking entry to 500 Pearl

Street must complete a questionnaire and have their temperature taken before being allowed entry into the courthouse. To gain entry to 500 Pearl Street, follow the instructions provided here:

https://www.nysd.uscourts.gov/sites/default/files/2020-10/QR%20Sign%20-%20Public_Media_v.5.pdf

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that all individuals must practice social distancing at all times in the courthouse. Individuals also must wear either one N95 mask or two face masks that cover the person's nose and mouth at all times in the courthouse unless the Court authorizes their removal. Bandannas, gaiters, and masks with valves are not permitted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that by March 11, 2021, defense counsel must advise the Court of how many spectators will attend the proceeding. The parties must advise the Court by the same date how many individuals will be seated at counsel's tables. Special accommodations may need to be made if more than ten spectators are expected to attend, or more than three individuals are expected to be seated at each counsel's table.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that members of the press and family members who are not able to attend the in-court proceeding may listen to it through a telephone link by calling 888-363-4749 and using access code 4324948.

Dated: New York, New York March 9, 2021

United States District Judge